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The brass-processing departments of VEB Walzwerk Hettstedt and of VEB Berliner Metallhuetten- und Halbzeugwerk, Niederschoeneweide, were closed down completely as of 15 July 1955. Since about 1 July 1955, there was no crude zinc available for the production of brass. Imports of crude zinc formerly came from the USSR.

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